

2SSB 5370 - CONF REPT
By Conference Committee

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.330
4 RCW to read as follows:

5 (1) The economic development strategic reserve account is created
6 in the state treasury to be used only for the purposes of this section.

7 (2) Only the governor, with the recommendation of the director of
8 the department of community, trade, and economic development and the
9 economic development commission, may authorize expenditures from the
10 account.

11 (3) Expenditures from the account shall be made in an amount
12 sufficient to fund a minimum of one staff position for the economic
13 development commission and to cover any other operational costs of the
14 commission.

15 (4) Expenditures from the account may be made to prevent closure of
16 a business or facility, to prevent relocation of a business or facility
17 in the state to a location outside the state, or to recruit a business
18 or facility to the state. Expenditures may be authorized for:

19 (a) Work force development;

20 (b) Public infrastructure needed to support or sustain the
21 operations of the business or facility; and

22 (c) Other lawfully provided assistance, including, but not limited
23 to, technical assistance, environmental analysis, relocation
24 assistance, and planning assistance. Funding may be provided for such
25 assistance only when it is in the public interest and may only be
26 provided under a contractual arrangement ensuring that the state will
27 receive appropriate consideration, such as an assurance of job creation
28 or retention.

29 (5) The funds shall not be expended from the account unless:

1 (a) The circumstances are such that time does not permit the
2 director of the department of community, trade, and economic
3 development or the business or facility to secure funding from other
4 state sources;

5 (b) The business or facility produces or will produce significant
6 long-term economic benefits to the state, a region of the state, or a
7 particular community in the state;

8 (c) The business or facility does not require continuing state
9 support;

10 (d) The expenditure will result in new jobs, job retention, or
11 higher incomes for citizens of the state;

12 (e) The expenditure will not supplant private investment; and

13 (f) The expenditure is accompanied by private investment.

14 (6) No more than three million dollars per year may be expended
15 from the account for the purpose of assisting an individual business or
16 facility pursuant to the authority specified in this section.

17 (7) If the account balance in the strategic reserve account exceeds
18 fifteen million dollars at any time, the amount in excess of fifteen
19 million dollars shall be transferred to the education construction
20 account.

21 **Sec. 2.** RCW 67.70.190 and 1994 c 218 s 5 are each amended to read
22 as follows:

23 Unclaimed prizes shall be retained in the state lottery account for
24 the person entitled thereto for one hundred eighty days after the
25 drawing in which the prize is won, or after the official end of the
26 game for instant prizes. If no claim is made for the prize within this
27 time, all rights to the prize shall be extinguished, and the prize
28 shall be retained in the state lottery fund for further use as prizes,
29 ~~((and all rights to the prize shall be extinguished))~~ except that one-
30 third of all unclaimed prize money shall be deposited in the economic
31 development strategic reserve account created in section 1 of this
32 act."

33 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "account;" strike the
34 remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 67.70.190; and adding
35 a new section to chapter 43.330 RCW."

EFFECT: (1) The Governor may authorize expenditures from the Strategic Reserve Account with the recommendation of the Director of CTED and the Economic Development Commission.

(2) Expenditures from the Strategic Reserve Account are to include funding for at least one staff position for the Economic Development Commission.

(3) A maximum of \$15 million may be in the account at any time, with any excess being transferred to the Education Construction Account.

(4) The references to appropriations from the Public Works Assistance Account are removed.

(5) The Strategic Reserve Account is funded by depositing one-third of all unclaimed lottery prize money into the account.

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